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Applicant: Langenfeld et al.  
Serial No.: TBA  
Date Filed: Herewith  
Invention: Evaporative Burner

Atty. Docket: 2229/154  
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37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

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The following sections are being submitted for this Information Disclosure Statement:

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2. ☒ FORMS PTO/SB/08A and 08B (formerly FORM PTO-1449)
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  - 7B. ☐ English Language Version of EPO Search Report
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10. ☒ Identification of Person(s) Making This Information Disclosure Statement

NOTE: "Once the minimum requirements are met the examiner has an obligation to consider the information." Notice of April 20, 1992 (1138 O.G. 37-41, 37).

**Section 1. Preliminary Statements**

Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information, of which they are aware that they believe may be material to the examination of this application, and in respect of which, there may be a duty to disclose.

The filing of this information disclosure statement shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g)), an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability, or that no other material information exists.

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## SECTION 2. FORMS PTO/SB/08A and 08B (formerly Form PTO-1449)

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### LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANTS' INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

#### United States Patents

Ref.	U.S. Patent No.	Inventor	Issue Date	Exam. Init.
AA	3,775,973	Hudson	Dec. 4, 1973	
AB	4,008,039	Compton et al.	Feb. 15, 1977	
AC	4,067,191	Gronvall et al.	Jan. 10, 1978	
AD	4,231,222	Fenton	Nov. 4, 1980	
AE	4,364,724	Alpkvist	Dec. 21, 1982	
AF	5,065,579	Monahan	Nov. 19, 1991	
AG	5,590,526	Cho	Jan. 7, 1997	
AH	5,954,039	Doering et al.	Sep. 21, 1999	
AI	6,247,310 B1	Norris et al.	Jun. 19, 2001	
AL	3,798,901	Lewenhaupt	Mar. 26, 1974	
AM	4,231,222	Fenton	Nov. 4, 1980	
AN	4,615,173	Usui et al.	Oct. 7, 1986	
AO	5,158,261	Morohoshi	Oct. 27, 1992	
AP	6,302,080 B1	Kato et al.	Oct. 16, 2001	

#### Foreign Patent Documents

Examiner Initials	Reference Number	Document Number	Issue Date	Country
	AJ	JP 04347410	02 Dec. 1992	Japan
	AK	JP 09015197	17 Jan 1997	Japan
	AQ	DE 12 77 499 B	12 Sep. 1968	Germany

	AR	DE 100 07 164 A1	24 Aug. 2000	Germany
	AS	EP 0 454 351 A2	30 Oct. 1991	Europe
	AT	DE 41 13 067 A1	29 Oct. 1992	Germany

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Date Considered: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Section 4. Identification of Prior Application in Which Listed Information Was Already Cited**

**NOTE:** "A copy of any patent, publication or other information listed in an information disclosure statement is not required to be provided if it was previously cited by or submitted to the Office in a prior application, provided that the prior application is properly identified in the statement and relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120." 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

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(complete the following, if applicable)

This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. 120, on the earlier filing date of U.S. application no. 10/382,089, entitled "Fuel Injector for a Liquid Fuel Burner," Attorney's docket 2229/149.

All references were submitted to, and /or cited by, the Office in the prior application and, therefore, are not required to be provided in this application:

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- (i) Each U.S. patent application publication and U.S. and foreign patent;*
- (ii) Each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed,*
- (iii) For each cited pending U.S. application, the application specification including the claims, and any drawing of the application, or that portion of the application which caused it to be listed including any claims directed to that portion. . .*

Legible copies of all items listed in Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (formerly Form PTO-1449) accompany this information statement.

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US patent application publications and U.S. patents.

Note: the Patent and Trademark Office has waived the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003

Items in prior application, from which an earlier filing date is claimed for this application, as identified in Section 4.

## Section 10. Identification of Person(s) Making This Information Disclosure Statement

The person making this statement is

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- (a) ☐ the inventor(s) who signs below

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- (b) ☐ an individual associated with the filing and prosecution of this application (37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c))

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